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In re Application of:)
Mustafa K. GUVEN et al.) Group Art Unit: 3661
Application No. 10/673,486) Examiner: BRIAN J. BROADHEAD
Filed: September 20, 2003) Confirmation No. 1530
For: PREDICTIVE LOAD)
MANAGEMENT SYSTEM)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In the Office Action of October 6, 2004, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 3, 8-12, and 16-18 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by US Patent Application Publication No. 2001/0004319 to Schleicher et al.; rejected claims 2, 4, 5, and 13 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schleicher et al. in view of US Patent No. 6,427,110 to Manken et al.; rejected claims 6 and 7 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schleicher et al. in view of US Patent No. 6,424,902 to Kuras; and objected to claims 14 and 15 for being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but indicated that claims 14 and 15 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.